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Amendment
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Remarks

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated **June 30, 2004**. In the official action an Election/Restriction was issued. The Applicant is required to elect Group I, which corresponds to claims 1-17 and 32-35, or Group II, which corresponds to claims 18-31.

The official action also made the following species restrictions:

Species I: Fig. 1.
Species II: Fig. 2.
Species III: Fig. 3.
Species IV: Fig. 7.
Species V: Fig. 8.
Species VI: Fig. 9.
Species VII: Fig. 10.
Species VIII: Fig. 11.
Species IX: Fig. 12.

Applicant has renumbered the claims as shown above. The claims as filed did not include claims 4 and 37-38. A duplicate claim 44 was also filed. It is also noted that the official action did not address claims 36, 39-45 and the second occurrence of claim 44, as filed.

In Response to the Election/Restriction, Applicant hereby elects Group II, corresponding to claims 18-31 (17-30 as renumbered), and Species IV, corresponding to Fig. 7. It believed that claims 17, 19-28 and 30 (as renumbered) read upon the species election.

Respectfully submitted,

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